GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

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SMUGGLING FROM NEPAL
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidents of smuggling from Nepal to India have come to the notice of the Government during the last two years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have collected the figures regarding the incidents of smuggling during the said period;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to prevent the smuggling of various items from Nepal to India?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (REVENUE) IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b), (c) & (d) The details of cases of smuggling detected by the Customs Department including Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) at Indo-Nepal border during last 2 years and current year (upto July, 2001) are as follows:

Details of seizures	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002 (upto July, 2001)
No. of cases booked	4422	6405	1654
Value of goods seized (Rs. in crores)	58.14	53.21	9.66

(e) All the concerned field formations under the Customs Department including Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) are alert and vigilant to prevent smuggling of various items from Nepal to India.